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In re Application of:

Levosky

Application No.: 09/751,989

Docket No. LEV-001 Filed on 12/29/2000

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Affidavit of Michael Levosky

- I, Michael Levosky, do hereby declare, under pains and penalties of perjury, as follows:
- I am the inventor of the invention described and claimed in US Patent Application No. 09/751,989.
- I am, further, founder and President of Dashworks, Inc., a Delaware Corporation
 which maintains a WEBsite, at www.spammotel.com, offering an email SPAMblocking system based on said invention.
- Prior to the incorporation of Dashworks, Inc., and since approximately the date of March 8, 2000, I personally maintained said WEBsite offering said email SPAMblocking system based on said invention as a sole proprietor.
- 4. In accordance with my knowledge of over four and one-half years in the research, conception, development, and maintenance of said SPAM-blocking system, it is my opinion that the configuration described in said application has substantially solved an important aspect of the well-known problem of the blocking and management of unwanted and unsolicited emails, otherwise known as SPAM.

- At the present time there are more than 52,000 subscribers to my website at www.spammotel.com, thereby demonstrating the commercial success of said system.
- 6. As it is shown in the figures of the attached Exhibits, SPAM has been a constant and continuing problem for users of email for many years prior to the submission of my patent application No. 09/751,989 (see Exhibit E), and remains a problem to this day. See Exhibits C and D.
- My invention, as claimed and described in patent application No. 09/751,989, has
 proven to be a solution to a large extent in managing the SPAM problem. See
 Exhibit A.
- 8. The attached exhibits were obtained as follows:
- (a). EXHIBIT A is a review of the system provided on my WEB site obtained by screen snapshot from the website www.download.com on or about October 2000. The website is maintained by RocketDownload, DigitalCandle, Inc.,1720 130th Ave NE, Suite 103, Bellevue, WA 98005.
- (b) EXHIBIT B is a screen snapshot of the WALL STREET JOURNAL's website at www.wsj.com, and shows the results of a search of the last year's articles in the WALL STREET JOURNAL having the keyword SPAM in the title, over the past year. The results show that 98 articles appeared having SPAM in the title.
- (c) EXHIBIT C is a screen snapshot of an article appearing in THE WALL STREET JOURNAL on July 6, 2004 describing the SPAM "epidemic".

- (d) EXHIBIT D is a screen snapshot of an article appearing in THE WALL STREET JOURNAL on June 22, 2004, describing the efforts of the Internet Giants to unite to combat SPAM.
- (e) EXHIBIT E is a screen snapshot of an article appearing in THE WALL STREET JOURNAL on November 2, 1996, showing that SPAM was an unresolved problem at that date.

Signed, on July 21, 2004

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Michael Levosky

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
County of Middlesex SS

On July 21, 2004, before me personally came Michael Levosky, known by me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same.

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